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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIRMENT

This is in response to the Office Action of June 21, 2004:

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Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for his careful consideration of the application.

The Examiner states that claim 9 is generic to a plurality of disclosed patentably distinct species comprising A) using a heated compression bar (Figure 5), B) using a heated compression wheel (Figures 6 and 9), and C) using an infrared heat source in conjunction with a pressure wheel (Figures 7 and 8).

Applicants elect species C. Applicants submit that all claims in the application are either generic or specific to species C, therefore Applicants elect all currently pending claims in the application.

Conclusion

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment. However, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefore to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

A telephone interview is respectfully requested at the number listed below prior to any further Office Action, i.e., if the Examiner has any remaining questions or issues to address after this paper. The undersigned will be happy to discuss any further Examiner-proposed amendments as may be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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